



## Human Resources

DATE POSTED: July 21, 2006

REQ. # 06-195

**NOTICE OF JOB OPENING**  
**ST. LUCIE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER**

**2300 Virginia Avenue Fort Pierce, Fl. 34982 – 5652**

**Telephone (772) 462-1546 Jobline (772) 462-1967**

**<http://co.st-lucie.fl.us>**

This position must be posted for at least five (5) working days from 07-21-06 TO 07-27-2006,  
but will remain open until filled.

DEPARTMENT/DIVISION
AGRICULTURE

POSITION AVAILABLE
HORTICULTURE INSTRUCTOR/LEADER

# OF OPENINGS
1

STARTING SALARY
\$33,828.50/YR.

COMMENTS
DRIVING POSITION

VETERANS PREFERENCE
It is the policy of St. Lucie County to give preference to eligible veterans and spouses of veterans in appointment and retention in county employment positions in accordance with Chapter 295, Florida Statutes, and Chapter 22VP-1, Florida Administrative Code. Copies of Chapter 295 and Chapter 22VP-1 are available for review in the Human Resources Department.

**JOB CODE: 780**  
**PAY GRADE: 18**  
**SALARY: \$33,828.50 - \$54,309.84**  
**HORTICULTURE INSTRUCTOR / LEADER**

**DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:** To organize and perform such activities on the 640 acre Agri-Science Education Center to ensure the day-to-day activities, new developments and projects are carried out. To develop short and long range plans, including goals, objectives and budgets for utilization of the Agri-Science Education Center. Abide by the Florida Code of Ethics. To integrate classroom schedules with farm activities. Provide instruction and guidance for FFA membership and coordinate FFA business. Oversee the horticulture operation, keeping accurate records. Oversee citrus, hay fields, and horticulture turf management and future Agri-Science programs. Supervise part time maintenance worker. Include student activities in building fences, other farm structures, and safety and use of GPS unit. Include students in seasonal care of pastures and cow maintenance. Follow school board and finance purchasing policies. Develop and maintain an effective Horticulture Education Advisory Committee. Attend periodic training as determined by supervisors. Provide instruction at highest standards for FFA participation at the St. Lucie County Fair. Frequent public contact, as well as dealing with vendors, suppliers and contractors on a daily or weekly basis, shall assist in provision of tours and inspection visits by clientele, general public, and representatives of local, state, and federal regulatory agencies. To perform activities to ensure organized, safe operation and maintenance of machinery, equipment, buildings and grounds. To assist in the acquisition, disposal, maintenance, use or loan of equipment, livestock, materials, plants, products and supplies. To maintain written equipment maintenance records and operation logs on machinery and equipment. To evaluate need for replacement and repair of equipment and facilities. To supervise student SEA's (supervised educational activities) while engaged in activities on the farm. To perform assigned tasks in a timely manner. To perform assigned tasks with a high standard of quality. To perform other duties as assigned by supervisors.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Bachelor's Degree required, Master's preferred, in Horticulture, Biotechnology, Agriculture Education, Agricultural Science or related field. Academic course hours and in-field experience considered. Valid Florida CDL license. Florida teaching certificate. Minimum of three years successful teaching experience at the secondary level. Ability to perform the essential functions of the position.

Reports to: Principal, Fort Pierce Westwood High School and County Extension Director  
Hiring contingent on the candidate's ability to pass a physical, a background inspection, and a drug test, and candidate must be fingerprinted.

Union	Non-Union ✓	Exempt ✓	Non-Exempt
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